

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES
SABIT Building Materials and Construction Standards Group
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ARMENIA

Aleksandr Vardanyan

Director

SHINCERTIFICATE Ltd.

(Certification Body)

Yerevan, Armenia

Education: Construction Engineer, advanced training on certification

Background: Director and owner of the company since 1998. Previous experience in laboratory with product testing. Company accredited with the government commission of accreditation by GOST Armenia. Company tests and certifies construction materials. More than 25 years of experience.

Interests: U.S. testing and certification companies, quality control systems, finding new business partners

English Language Skills: Fair

AZERBAIJAN

Mazahir Samedzadei

Chief of Department

Azerbaijan State Agency for Standardization, Metrology and Patents

Baku, Azerbaijan

Education: Engineer geologist.

Background: Chief of Department for 20 years at Azerbaijan's equivalent of Gosstandart. Performs tests and certifies building materials and supervises a staff of 11. Previous experience at the Ministry of Building Construction.

Interests: Standards development in the U.S. and in Europe.

English Language Skills: Poor

BELARUS

Anatol Skarha

General Director

Close Corporation for Testing, Preservation and Safety

Minsk, Belarus

Education: J.D., advanced education in management, expert auditor for construction.

Background: General Director and owner of company for 9 years. Previous experience in security services for banks and the Ministry of Interior. Company is accredited in Belarus and Russia by Gosstandart to test and certify construction equipment. Tests include wind load for doors and windows, transparency and longevity of glass, fail safety of locks, and etc.

Interests: ISO, certification of construction equipment, international standards development, metrology, certification and testing. Hopes to meet new business contacts.

English Language Skills: Poor

MOLDOVA

Ion Rusu

Director of Department

INCERCOM Research Institute for Construction

Kishinev, Moldova

Education: Civil Engineer, post-graduate work on building materials

Background: Director of the Research and Development Department for state institute on construction. Develops standards, tests and certifies building materials. Creator of 6 inventions, author of 4 state standards, and 107 publications on construction-related issues

Interests: New technology, international standards, conformity assessment in the U.S., and U.S. culture

English Language Skills: Poor

KAZAKHSTAN

Yertulev Meshimbayev

Director

East Kazakstan Branch, National Expertise and Certification Center

Ust-Kamenogorsk, Kazakstan

Education: Mechanical engineer

Background: Organization provides expertise in standards, certification of products and services, testing, and certification. Manages a staff of 79 people involved in testing and certification. Region boasts several companies engaged in metallurgy, power generation, cement making, and other light industries.

Interests: ISO standards, Kazakhstan's new draft law on technical regulations, international technical assistance to Kazakhstan's Gosstandart, ISO 17025, ISO 9001. Interested in rewriting Kazakhstan's standards and certification systems

English Language Skills: Poor

KYRGYZSTAN

Konstantin Bezkorovainy

Chief, Bishkek City Council "Kenesh" of Deputies
Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

Education: Engineer

Background: Elected by local population as Chief of the Commission on Construction and Municipal property. Controls city services on issues related to building and architecture. Participates in the development of standards, codes and regulations.

Interests: U.S. experience in the fields of standards and certification, reduction of the number of mandatory standards in construction.

English Language Skills: Fair

Talantbek Kokumov

Quality Control Assurance Engineer, Site Manager
Most Group Limited Company
Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

Education: Civil Engineer, various training courses on management and international trade held in Germany and Japan

Background: Quality Control Engineer and Site Manager for large construction company (\$1.5 million sales last year). Implements construction activities, coordinates and oversees all aspects of projects and manages quality control. Ten years experience in the construction materials business. Currently working on projects with the U.S. military building bases in Bishkek. Several letters of commendation from U.S. Air Force representatives in application.

Interests: Interested in test methods, the introduction of U.S. products into the Kyrgyz system, modern materials and equipment, quality control and concrete. Would like to open his own accreditation business in the future.

English Language Skills: Excellent

Nymat Pahirov

Head of Department

Kyrgyz Center for Testing and Certification

Bishkek, Kyrgyzstan

Education: Engineer-Economist

Background: Supervises testing and certification lab responsible for building materials. Head of department for six years. Has attended many courses sponsored by Russian Academy of Sciences. Studied building standards in Germany as participant in the GTZ program.

Interests: International standards, the practice of conformity assessment in well developed countries.

English Language Skills: Poor

RUSSIA

Leonid Stupishin

Chief of Strength of Materials and Structural Mechanics Department

Kursk State Technical University

Kursk, Russia

Education: Civil Engineer, PhD in Science,

Background: Chief of Department, Lecturer and Professor, head of testing laboratory and certification board. Previously worked as Chief of certification for local Gosstroy (State Construction) branch. Extensive experience with inspection, auditing and research related to building materials. 25 years experience in the field, author of 11 manuals and 6 textbooks. Frustrated by lack of expertise and testing equipment.

Interests: Hopes to gain information on certification of building materials, test methods, design and manufacturing, state-of-the-art equipment and materials, and make contacts with potential new business partners.

English Language Skills: Poor

Alexandre Koudiakov

Head of the Building Materials Department

Head of the Certification Center

Deputy Head of Research

Tomsk State University of Architecture and Building:

Building Materials Certification Center

Tomsk, Russia

Education: Civil Engineer, PhD in engineering, expert-auditor for Russian Building Ministry

Background: More than 30 years experience in building materials industry. Visited Germany four times for certification and accreditation purposes. Writing second book on building materials. Educates civil engineers on building and materials, supervises certification department, helps develop new standards and normative documents. Written 220+ articles and received 36 patents. Prepared 50+ construction-related standards. Currently working on developing a new calibration laboratory.

Interests: The U.S. conformity assessment system (for inclusion in new book), quality systems, regulatory agencies, newest technologies in building equipment and materials.

English Language Skills: Poor

Yury Gordeev

General Director

Institute for Investigation, Testing, Certification of Materials and Products
“KOMPOZIT-TEST”

Korolev, Moscow Region, Russia

Education: Engineer Mechanic, PhD in machine building materials and technology, recent training on management and certification

Background: Majority owner and general director of the testing and certification company for 7+ years. KOMPOZIT is accredited by GOSSTANDART and GOSSTROY (Russian Ministry of Building), and RUSAVIACOSMOS (Russian Agency for Aviation and Space Industry). Extensive international travel for business-related matters. Author of 30+ technical publications. Holds patent on metal expansion bolts.

Interests: American and European conformity assessment systems, U.S. business partners, test methods, equipment, instruments.

English Language Skills: Poor

Tatiana Fironiva

Chief Specialist

Department of Technical Regulations, Standardization and Certification
GOSSTROY of the Russian Federation

Moscow, Russia

Education: Construction Engineer, several certification courses from GOSSTANDART, expert auditor

Background: More than 30 years in certification and testing of building materials. Develops inter-state standards for concretes, road building materials, adhesives and facing products. Supervises quality management program. Hopes to learn more about ISO/MEC 65, ISO/MEC 17025 and ISO 9000.

Interests: EN and ASTM standards, harmonization of Russian and international standards.

English Language Skills: Poor

Natalia Timasheva

Supervisor of Quality Group & Chief Expert
Certification Body “MGSU Stroisertificatsia”
Moscow, Russia

Education: Civil Engineer, PhD in engineering, extensive training on certification and ISO 9001

Background: Supervises department that tests and certifies building materials, expert on quality systems, extensive international travel related to certification.

Interests: Helping Russia to create laws and standards that comply with WTO and TBT requirements, comparison of conformity assessment systems in US and Europe, international certification and accreditation practices.

English Language Skills: Fair

Tatiana Tyurina

Chief Specialist of the Department of Standardization of the Administration of
Standardization and Certification
GOSSTROI of Russia

Education: Civil Engineer, extensive training on certification and quality management

Background: Develops standards for concretes, building mortars, chemical admixtures for concretes and mortars, dry building mixtures. Writes test methods. Extensive international travel related to certification of facilities.

Interests: Dry construction materials, chemical additives, quality control of building materials, standards and certification system in the US

English Language Skills: Poor

UKRAINE

Yuriy Chervyakov

Deputy Director of Scientific Work

Ukrainian Research and Design Institute of Building Materials and Products
Kiev, Ukraine

Education: Engineer, postgraduate work in building materials, laboratory accreditation, certification and quality management

Background: Extensive work with ceramics, silicates, porous fillers, lightweight concretes, polymers, and insulation materials. Develops test methods, and standards. Certifies products, accredits test laboratories. Creates certification schemes for building materials and products.

Interests: ISO 9001

English Language Skills: Poor

Lyudmyla Lazarenko

Head of the National Standards Division
State Committee of Ukraine on Construction and Architecture
Kiev, Ukraine

Education: Analytical chemistry

Background: 15 years experience in the industry. Develops and perfects normative documents, standards, technical regulations, standing orders and laws related to construction materials and equipment.

Interests: Comparison of conformity assessment systems in the US and Europe, the US regulatory system, quality control, manufacturing of building materials, inspection and enforcement.

English Language Skills: Poor

Volodymyr Bondaryev

Leading Engineer
Rivne Center for Standardization, Metrology and Certification
Rivne, Ukraine

Education: Hydro-electric engineer, training on standards and certification. Qualified as a state auditor.

Background : 15 years experience in field. Leading engineer and auditor for certification of building materials. Inspects manufacturing facilities and issues licenses.

Interests: Wants to learn new methods for testing and certification, and see cutting edge technology in the production, use and testing of building materials.

English Language Skills: Poor

Olexandr Artanov

Chief Specialist, Deputy Director
State Enterprise Certification Body on Building Products
Kiev, Ukraine

Education: Civil engineer

Background: Company accredited to certify foreign and domestic building materials, including cement, metals and plastics. More than 30 years experience. Manages a team of certification experts, and oversees the quality management system

Interests: Accreditation and certification in the U.S., creation in Ukraine of a quality management system, obtaining international qualification as an auditor in the field of quality management, U.S. regulatory functions, meeting new business partners.

English Language Skills: Poor

UZBEKISTAN

Abdukhamid Abdukadirov

Chief of Department
Tashkent Municipal Government for Standardization and Metrology
Uzbek Agency of Standardization, Metrology and Certification
Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Education: Engineer, metallurgist

Background: Chief of department of state agency supervising engineering, construction and light industry. Part of the Tashkent municipal government and the Uzbek agency on standardization, metrology and certification.

Interests: The U.S. systems for managing standards development, certification, testing and accreditation.

English Language Skills: Poor

Rustam Kuchkarov

Dean
Tashkent Institute of Architecture and Construction
Tashkent, Uzbekistan

Education: Building engineer, Ph.D. in building construction, training courses in China on seismic stability

Background: Organizes and develops curriculum for large construction institute (500+ students). Develops codes, standards and norms for construction materials.

Interests: International standards, the U.S. legislative system, quality control, certification, characteristics of thermo and hydro insulation materials, fire resistance materials, ventilation, natural light and sun protection.

English Language Skills: Good